

# **Interview Summary**

Application No.

09/711,362

Examiner

Steven P. Griffin

Applicant(s)

YOKOYAMA ET AL.

Art Unit

1754

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Steven P. Griffin (SPE, Art Unit 1754).

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(2) Rebecca Mitchell (Knoble & Yoshida).

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Date of Interview: 27 June 2001.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference

c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description:

Claim(s) discussed: n/a.

Identification of prior art discussed: n/a.

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☒ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Ms. Mitchell requested the status of the instant application, particularly the status of the application in view of the letter mailed 5/23/01 which indicated that the declaration was unsigned. A review of the file by Ex. Griffin has determined that the letter mailed 5/23/01 was in error and the decl. submitted 5/14/01 was signed, thus rendering the letter of 5/23/01 moot. The application is currently assigned to Art Unit 1754 awaiting action on the merits.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

i) ☒ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview (if box is checked).

Unless the paragraph above has been checked, THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN ONE MONTH FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

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Examiner's signature, if required